SO YOU WERE HERE
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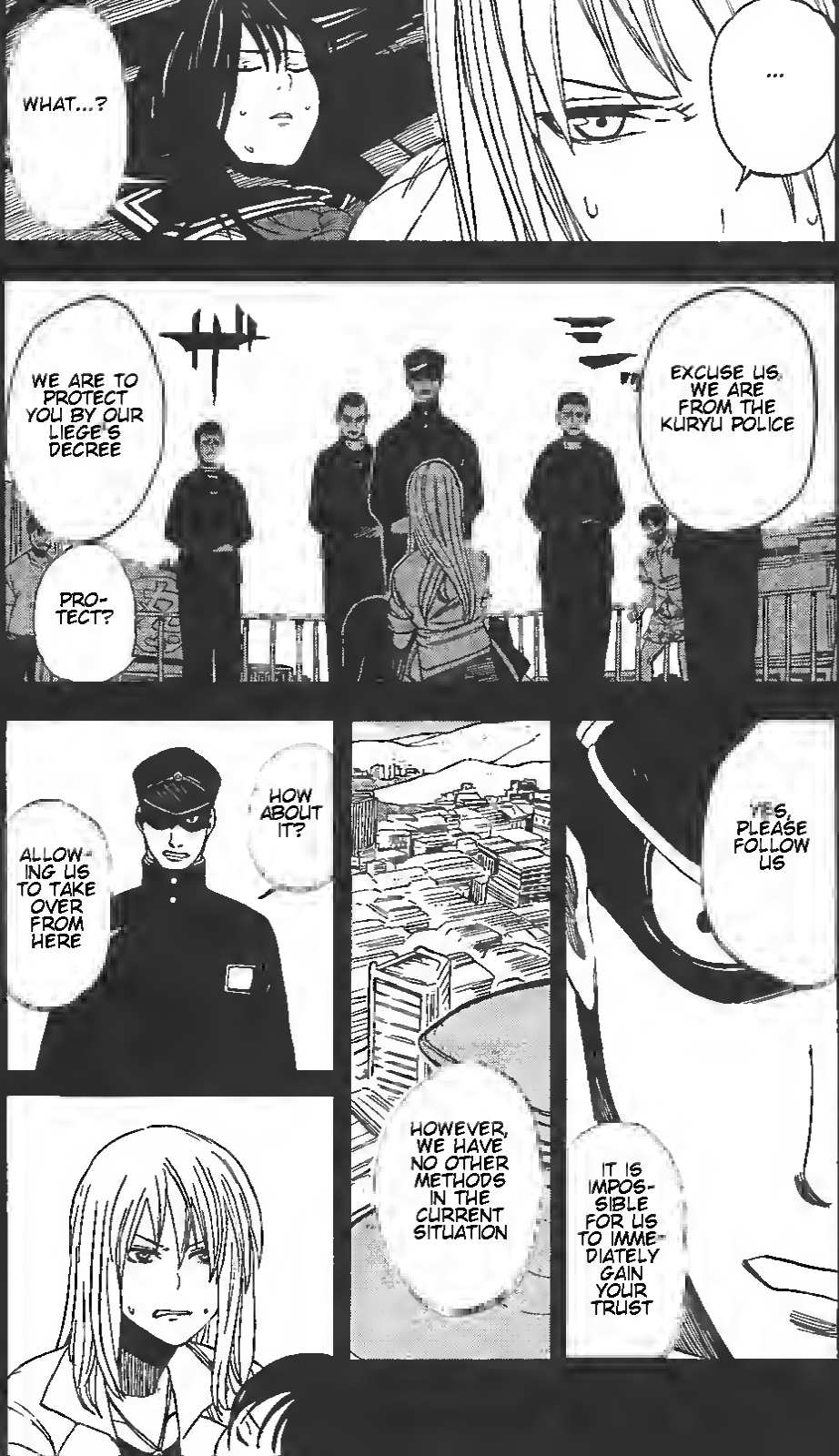
THAT'S GOOD, BUT...
SO DON'T WORRY!!
SHE'LL BE FINE!! SHE WAS TRANS-PORTED TO MEI-SAN'S, RIGHT?
HM...
WHAT'S WRONG, NABE-SAN?
WELL... I WAS WONDER-ING IF THAT GIRL JUST NOW IS ALRIGHT
AAH, JUST NOW...

GORYOU KURYU CENTER TOWER
YES
IS THAT GIRL ALRIGHT?
SO
SHE IS CURRENTLY STABLE
PLEASE BE AT EASE
OH...
THEN THAT'S GOOD...


WHAT...?
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WE ARE TO PROTECT YOU BY OUR LIEGE'S DECREE
PRO-TECT?
EXCUSE US. WE ARE FROM THE KURYU POLICE
ALLOW-ING US TO TAKE OVER FROM HERE
HOW ABOUT IT?
HOWEVER, WE HAVE NO OTHER METHODS IN THE CURRENT SITUATION
YES, PLEASE FOLLOW US
IT IS IMPOS-SIBLE FOR US TO IMME-DIATELY GAIN YOUR TRUST

...THEY
ARE INDEED SUS-PICIOUS
!
WHAT IS THE MATTER?
AH, NO, I WAS JUST THINK-ING...
WELL, I'M SUR-PRISED
THAT GIRL IS SOUTAROU-SAN'S DAUGH-TER?
...!! SO YOU KNOW
I DON'T REALLY KNOW ANYTHING...
HE'S A FAMOUS SCIENTIST
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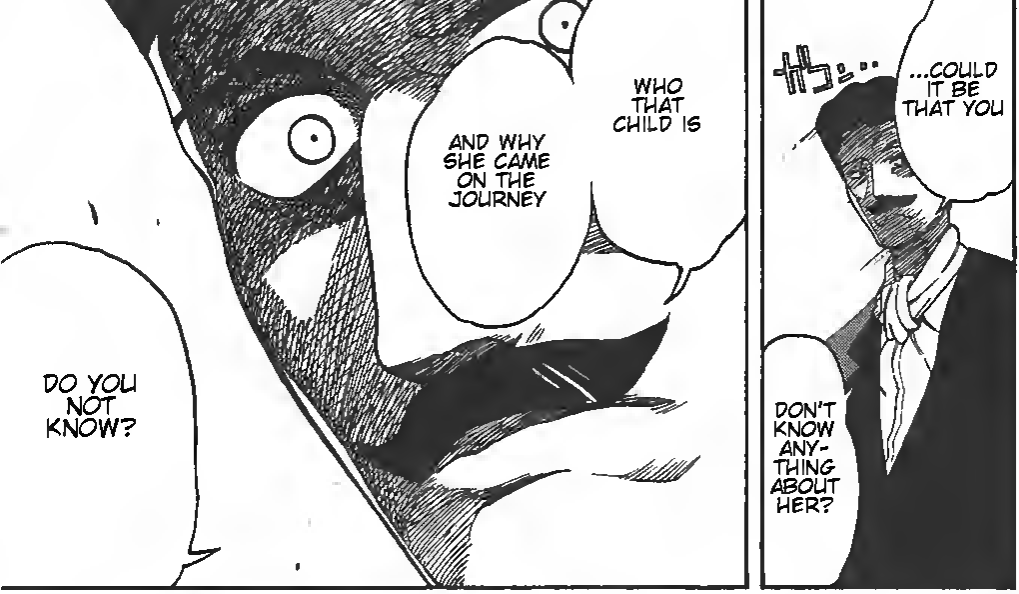
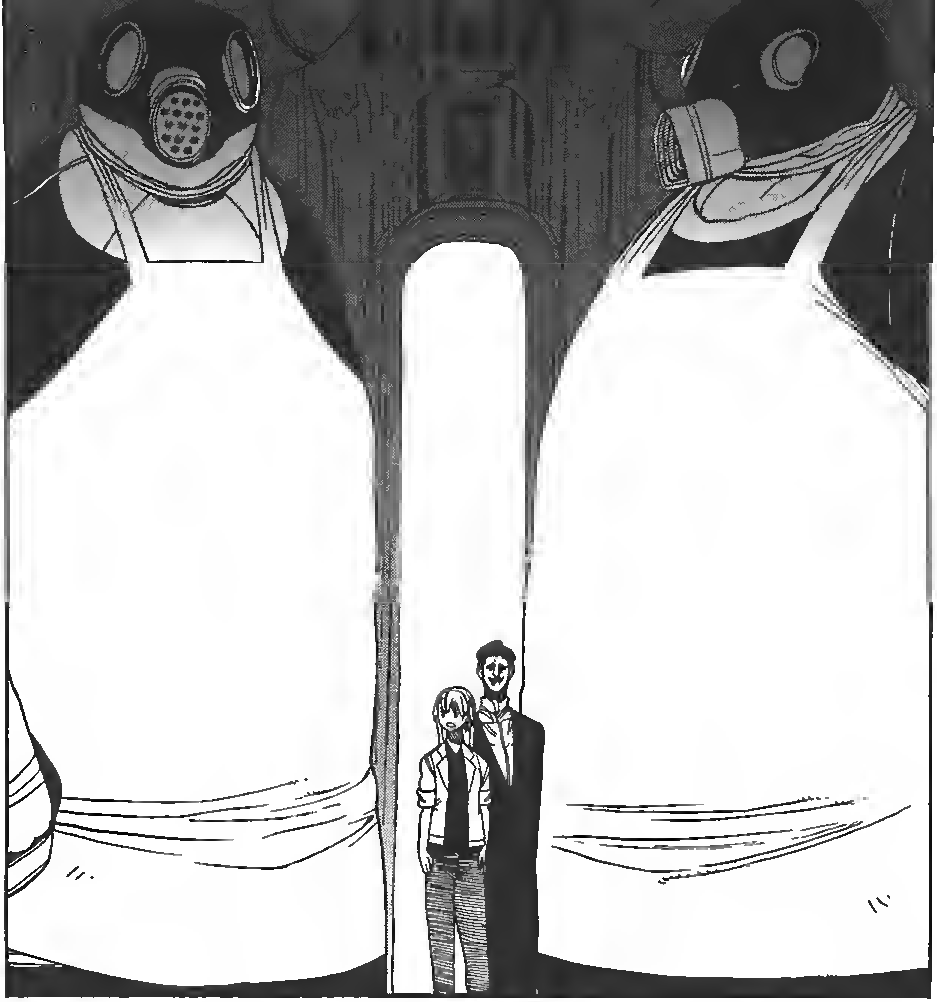
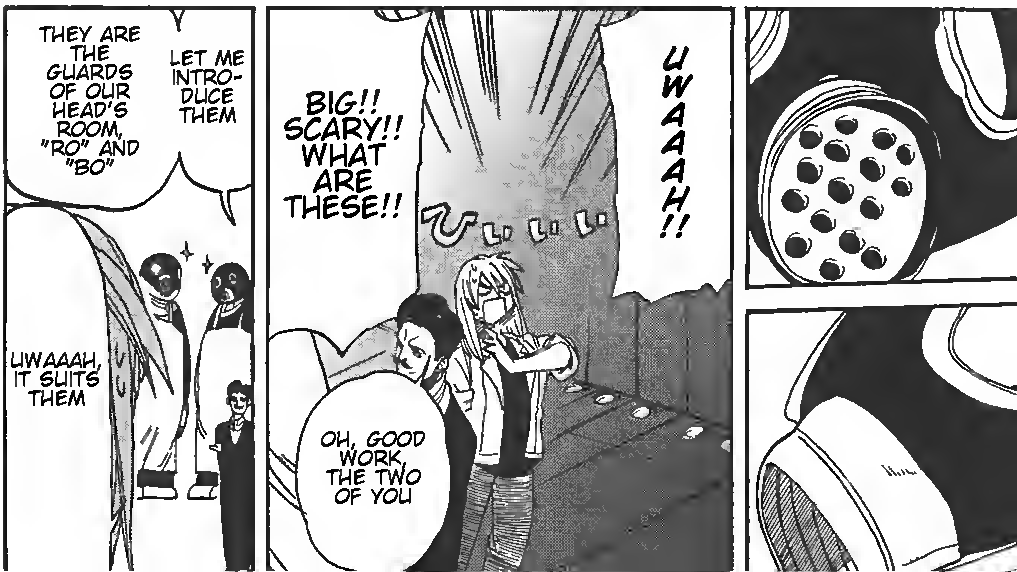

...COULD IT BE THAT YOU
DON'T KNOW ANY-THING ABOUT HER?
WHO THAT CHILD IS
AND WHY SHE CAME ON THE JOURNEY
DO YOU NOT KNOW?

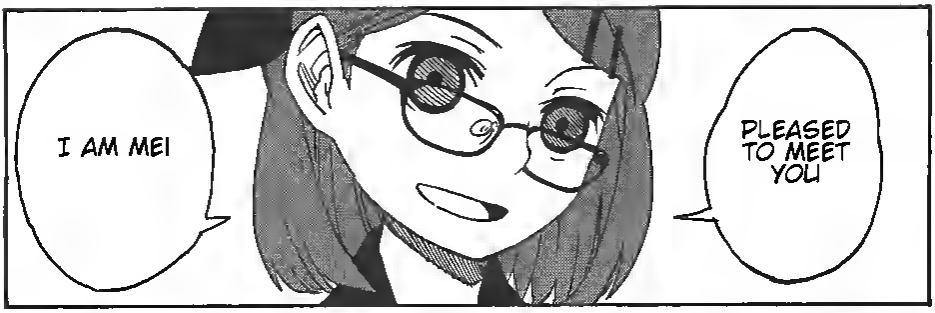
WHAT ARE YOU
TO THAT CHILD?
OH
WELL
LET'S DISCUSS EVERYTHING HERE
PLEASE ENTER




THEY ARE THE GUARDS OF OUR HEAD'S ROOM, "RO" AND "BO"
LET ME INTRO-DUCE THEM
UWAAAH, IT SUITS THEM
BIG!! SCARY!! WHAT ARE THESE!!
UWAAAH!!
OH, GOOD WORK, THE TWO OF YOU

NO
THERE REMAIN SUCH HIGHLY POWERED ROBOTS?
ONE OF THEM IS THE EQUIVALENT OF TWENTY TO THIRTY ADULTS
WELL, NAME ASIDE, THEY ARE INDEED STRONG
THESE TWO, AS WELL AS MOST OF KURYU'S MILITARY MIGHT, ARE BUILT BY OUR LIEGE... MEI-SAMA
AND SHE'S CURRENTLY TREATING SOUTAROU-SAN'S DAUGHTER
MEI-SAMA
オン..
IT IS NOT AN EXAGGERATION TO SAY THAT MEI-SAMA IS THE REASON WHY KURYU FUNCTIONS
HERE

AH
WELCOME


I AM MEI
PLEASED TO MEET YOU

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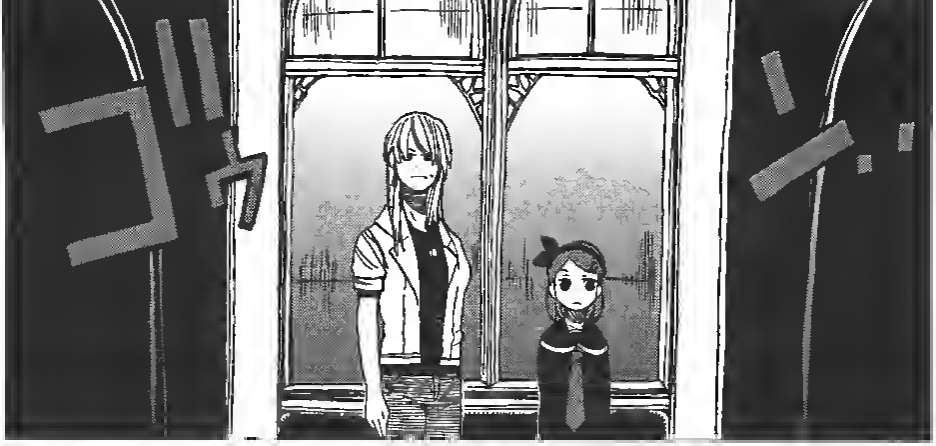
MOST PEOPLE DON'T KNOW THEIR LEADER'S FACE, SO IT'S NOT SUR-PRISING
THAT'S WHAT YOUR FACE IS SAYING
SUCH A...
SUCH A CHILD?
THIS GIRL IS THE LI-EGE?
NOW
IT IS A GOOD THING, IN THE POST-WAR UNREST OF THIS COUNTRY
SITUATION
ABOUT THE WORLD'S
AS YOU HAVE BEEN TOLD, THERE IS A WHILE BEFORE THE GIRL WAKES UP
SHALL WE HAVE A TALK IN THE MEAN-TIME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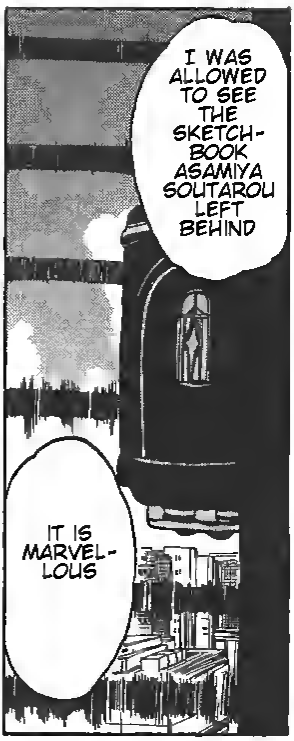
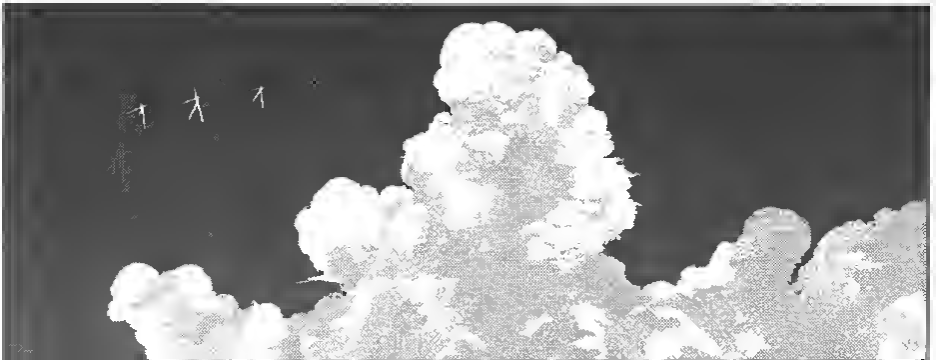
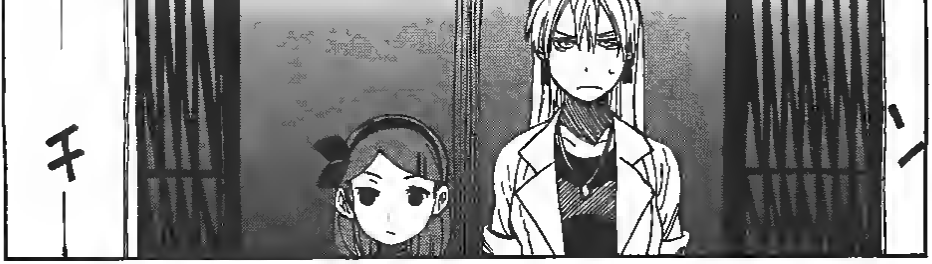
THE CIVILISATION PRIOR TO THE WAR IS TOP CLASS IN THE CENTER CONTINENT... NO, IN THE WORLD
TOO BAD THE PEOPLE HAVE DIED

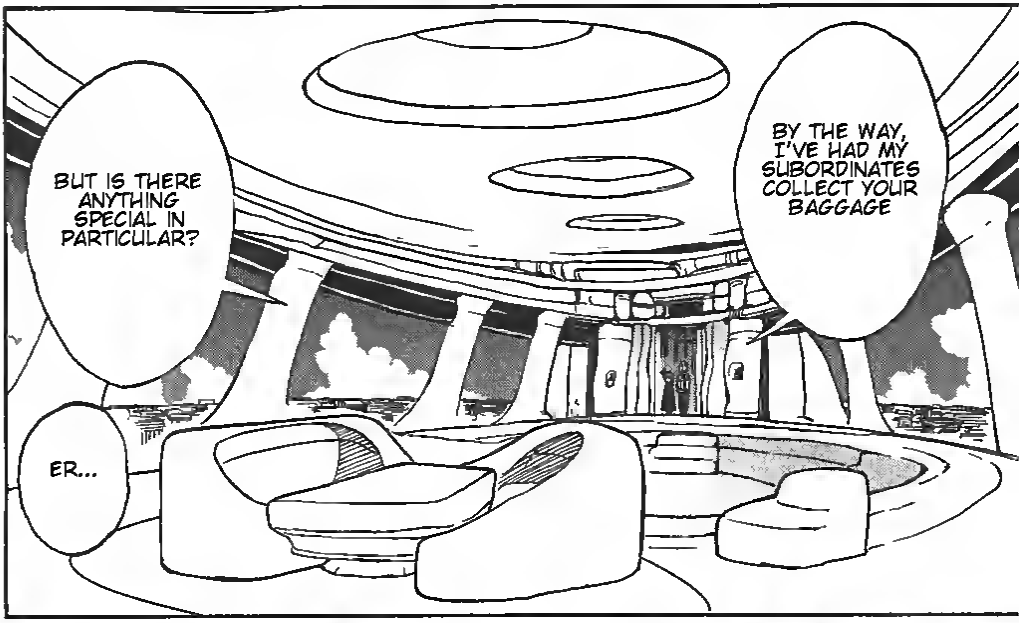

I WAS ALLOWED TO SEE THE SKETCH-BOOK ASAMIYA SOUTAROU LEFT BEHIND
IT IS MARVEL-LOUS

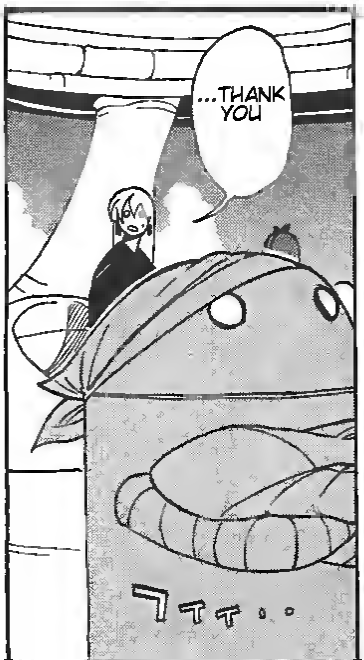
SELLING THAT WOULD EARN ONE GREAT PROFIT
IS THAT NOT WHAT YOU ARE AIMING FOR? I'M WORRIED
HA... HAHA...

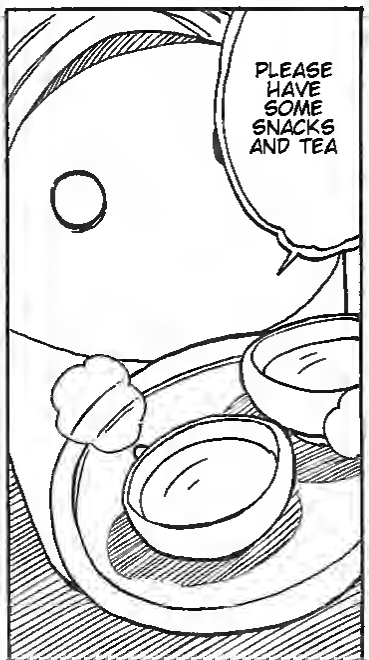


IT IS STRANGE AFTER ALL...
HOW IS IT?
I DO NOT KNOW, CONTINUE YOUR INSPEC-TION
IS THIS DUE TO MEI-SAMA'S ABSENCE?
YES
THE SIXTH AND EIGHTH TOWERS CANNOT BE CONT-ROLLED
THERE ARE NO IRREGULARITIES IN KURYU'S OVERALL OPERATIONS, BUT A SECTION OF MACHINERY ARE OPERATING OUTSIDE SURVEILLANCE
HM...

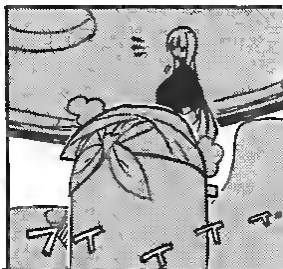


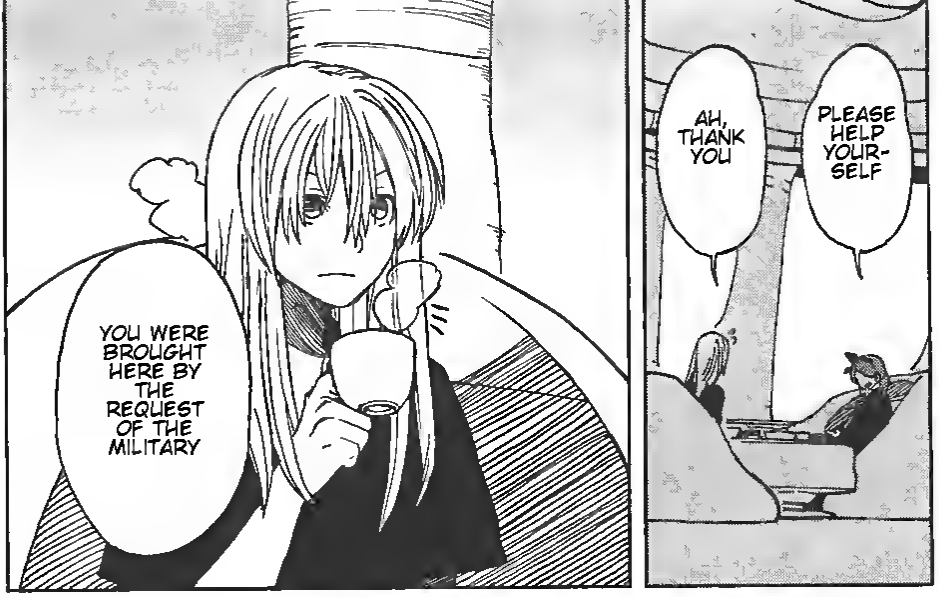

BUT IS THERE ANYTHING SPECIAL IN PARTICULAR?
BY THE WAY, I'VE HAD MY SUBORDINATES COLLECT YOUR BAGGAGE
ER...

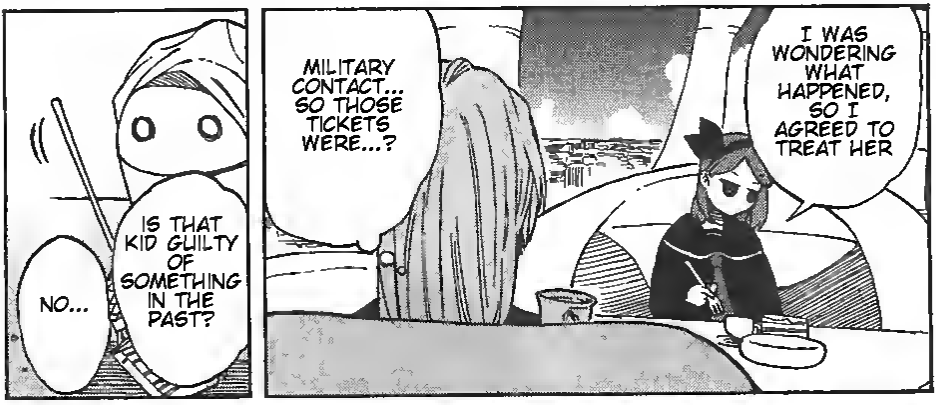

...THANK YOU

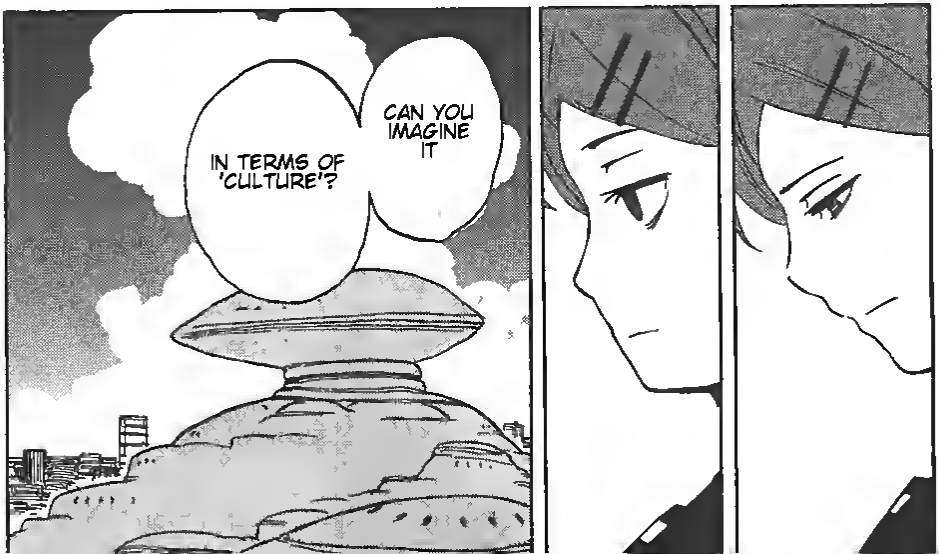

PLEASE HAVE SOME SNACKS AND TEA

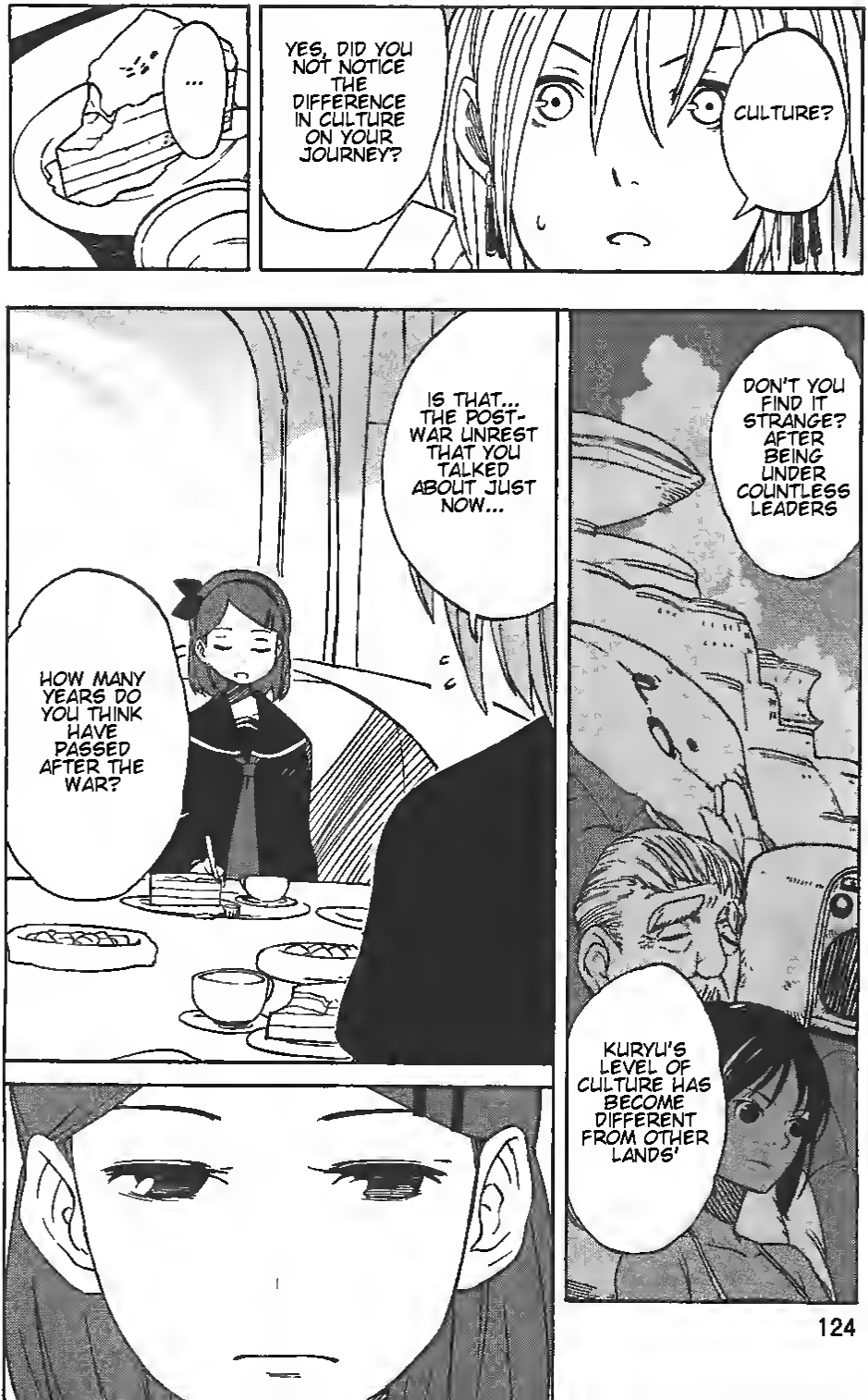
WHAT-EVER
ER... AH...



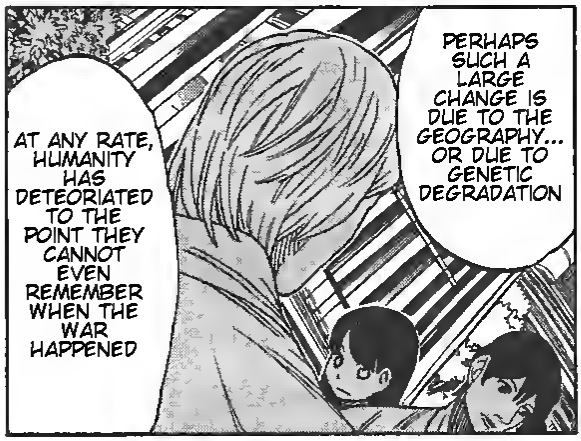

YOU WERE BROUGHT HERE BY THE REQUEST OF THE MILITARY
AH, THANK YOU
PLEASE HELP YOURSELF


NO...
IS THAT KID GUILTY OF SOMETHING IN THE PAST?
MILITARY CONTACT... SO THOSE TICKETS WERE...?
I WAS WONDERING WHAT HAPPENED, SO I AGREED TO TREAT HER


IN TERMS OF 'CULTURE'?
CAN YOU IMAGINE IT


...
YES, DID YOU NOT NOTICE THE DIFFERENCE IN CULTURE ON YOUR JOURNEY?
CULTURE?
DON'T YOU FIND IT STRANGE? AFTER BEING UNDER COUNTLESS LEADERS
KURYU'S LEVEL OF CULTURE HAS BECOME DIFFERENT FROM OTHER LANDS'
IS THAT... THE POST-WAR UNREST THAT YOU TALKED ABOUT JUST NOW...
HOW MANY YEARS DO YOU THINK HAVE PASSED AFTER THE WAR?

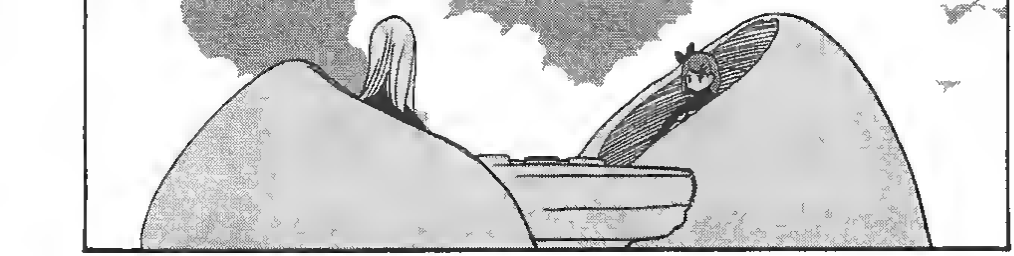
TWO HUNDRED YEARS
203 TO BE PRECISE... THAT'S THE NUMBER OF YEARS THAT HAVE ONLY PASSED

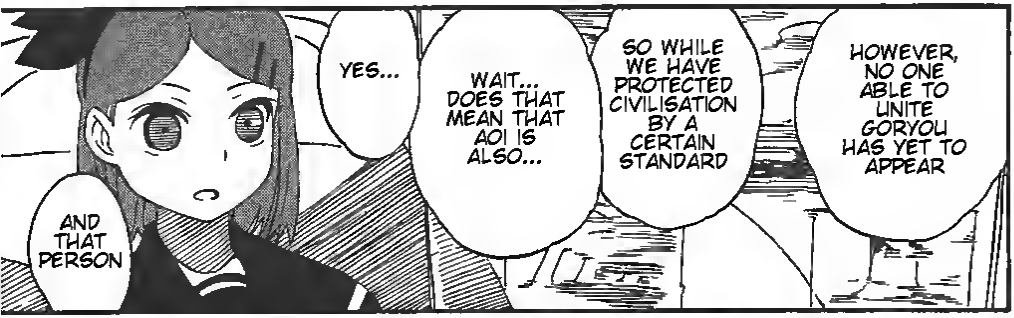

PERHAPS SUCH A LARGE CHANGE IS DUE TO THE GEOGRAPHY... OR DUE TO GENETIC DEGRADATION
AT ANY RATE, HUMANITY HAS DETEORIATED TO THE POINT THEY CANNOT EVEN REMEMBER WHEN THE WAR HAPPENED

!? THAT'S
YES, THIS IS THE DIFF-ERENCE IN JUST THAT TIME

AND THE WORLD
STOPPED PROGRESSING

BUT YOU'RE PRESERVING THE ADVANCE-MENTS TODAY SOMEHOW
THERE ARE THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN LITTLE INFLUENCED BY IT
AMONG THOSE WHO HAVE FORGOTTEN THE WORLD'S DEVELOP-MENTS
AMONG THEM ARE FIVE WHO HAVE CHOSEN COUNTRIES WITH LARGE STRUCTURES LIKE KURYU
THEY LIVE IN DIFFERENT LOCATIONS AND SUPPORT IT CONSCIOUSLY OR NOT
WE ARE CALLED YOUR LORDS




AND THAT PERSON
YES...
WAIT... DOES THAT MEAN THAT AOI IS ALSO...
SO WHILE WE HAVE PROTECTED CIVILISATION BY A CERTAIN STANDARD
HOWEVER, NO ONE ABLE TO UNITE GORYOU HAS YET TO APPEAR

A FEW DAYS AGO
CAUSED THE INCIDENT
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ASAMIYA

HINATA

THE ONE WHO USED CELESTIAL WEAPONS TO DESTROY THE WORLD
ASAMIYA AOI IS HER SISTER